

NOVEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 6:30 Bible Study	3	4	5	6
7 10:30aWorship All Saints Day	8	9 6:30 Bible Study	10	11 9am Pas- tor's Con- ference Mtg 6pm Council Meeting	12 9:30 Naomi Circle <u>@ church</u>	13
14 1030a Worship Communion Hunter Blessing	15	16 6:30 Bible Study	17	18	19	20 Deer hunter widow's craft sale and Holiday Pie Sale
21 10:30aWorship Confirmation	22 Fisher Deadline	23 6:30 Bible Study	24	25 	26	27
28 10:30a Worship Communion	29	30 6:30 Bible Study				



“The Fisher” November 2021

A newsletter for the members and friends of



Bone Lake Lutheran Church (ELCA)

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." John 11:44b

Dear Saints of Bone Lake Lutheran,

In a few weeks we'll celebrate All Saints Day and the All Saints Sunday. This is one of my favorite days of the church year, for a few reasons. All Saints allows a space for us to remember those who have died in the past year and even before that. In a world where grief is presumed to be a private thing, where we aren't supposed to talk about death or those who have died, All Saints allows us to break those taboos and grieve as we are created to do so. It also helps us to celebrate the lives of faith that the saints who have gone before us lived and the examples they set for us. All Saints creates a space for us to live as we were created to do so, to acknowledge that death is a part of life, and that its okay for us to free ourselves from the burden that death has over us sometimes.

If you haven't seen it already, I would highly recommend watching the Disney/Pixar movie Coco. This movie is a beautiful example of Mexico's Día de los Muertos festival and what it means. Basically this festival celebrates those who have died. Family members create altars in their homes or in cemeteries and fill the altars with photos, food, water, and colorful flowers. This festival has roots in the Aztec culture that viewed even deceased people as being a part of the community. These people were celebrated and welcomed back earth side in a variety of ways. And in today's celebrations of the festival, loved ones are remembered and celebrated.

Traditionally, we've celebrated All Saints by displaying pictures of our loved ones and friends who have died and offering prayers of thanksgiving for their lives. But we don't necessarily make space for these kinds of remembrance or celebration in daily life. Can you imagine if we celebrated a little more like our Mexican brothers and sisters? Death is a part of life and grief is a natural process for us to partake in, but instead of our ways of covering it up and

hiding it, let's try to borrow a page from the book of other cultures and allow ourselves to be a little more public in our grief and a little more accepting of celebrating the lives of those we loved. Jesus does so in this 11th chapter of John. In the story of raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus openly grieves for his friend. While we know that the story ends with Lazarus coming out of the grave, can you imagine how the process of grief was changed and accepted by Jesus' example. This story ends by Jesus saying, "unbind him and let him go", in which he is referring to taking the grave clothes off of Lazarus. But what if we interpreted this in a way as Jesus giving us permission to unbind ourselves from the shadows that death holds over us. Its natural and totally okay for us to be sad and grieve, but my point is, we don't have to do it in private or alone. Jesus, in this story, is giving us permission to walk alongside each other in grief and in celebration and thanksgiving of those who have died.

So this year, don't be afraid to grieve and celebrate the saints together. No matter how that tradition unfolds for you.

Blessings,
Pastor Mikayla

Bone Lake will be hosting a drive-thru Thanksgiving Dinner on November 25. Due to continuing Covid-19 restrictions the traditional meal will be again a drive thru style. Hope to see you there. We will be asking again for homemade pies. Thank you for your continued support.



Counters for November, 2021

October 10: Tonya and Leora

October 17: Jon and Ben

October 24: Tonya and Danielle

October 31: Brenda and Leora

November 7: Danielle Tonya

November 14: Brenda and Ben

Next Meeting: November 11, 2021

Motion to adjourn: Motion by Danielle, seconded by Jon, carried

Closing Prayer: Lord's Prayer

Help us grow in faith by helping us go to the ELCA Youth Gathering this summer!

The Bone Lake Lutheran youth would love to help you with your holiday baking. We are offering a variety of flavors that you can take home frozen to bake it at your convenience.

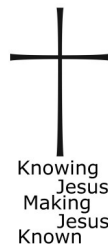
You may purchase a pie for the holidays at the Deer Hunters' Widows' Craft Sale Nov. 20 or place an order.

Place orders at church on the list in the narthex or by contacting Shahla Brown at 715-501-9747 or by email at shahlabrown8@gmail.com. Please make arrangements to pick up your pie on Saturday or Sunday, November 20th or 21st, the weekend of the craft sale. Payment may be made at the time of pick-up.

Tell all your friends and neighbors too!

PIE FLAVORS - \$15.00

- Apple
Apple Cranberry
Blueberry
Cherry
Peanut Butter Hot Fudge



Judy Randall's Cactus

SPIRITUAL GIFTS AND SERVICES

NOVEMBER

Birthdays

Paige Runnels 11/03
 Paulette Adair 11/04
 Craig Adair 11/05
 Reuben Buck 11/07
 Linda Glenn 11/09
 Todd Route 11/11
 Al Tyler 11/14
 Brenda Marek 11/17
 Joshua Paulsen 11/17
 Tyler Paulsen 11/17
 Ben Buck 11/19
 David Buck 11/19
 Michael Wilson 11/20
 Judy Randall 11/22
 Kamdyn Snider 11/22
 Dale Frandsen 11/23

NOVEMBER

Baptism Birthdays

Dale Vlasnik 11/??/1945
 Nancy Beduhn 11/??/1951
 Jerod Buck 11/04/1990
 Robert Jones 11/09/1947
 Eric Dueholm 11/12/1972
 Amanda Kuechenmeister 11/12/1972
 Donald Broome 11/13/1983
 Maggie Brown 11/13/2005
 Connor Eichelt 11/14/2004
 Paulette Adair 11/15/1959
 Reuben Buck 11/20/1960
 Kylie Buck 11/23/2003
 Annie Strege 11/27/2005

DECEMBER WORSHIP

ASSISTANTS

****Rita and Dale Frandsen-LEAD**

Neil and Tammy Peterson
 Errin and Joe Schleusner
 Jim and Linda Svoboda
 LeRoy and Sue Buck
 Todd and Jill Route
 Mike and Alana Montpetit
 Wayne and Jean Boatman

NOVEMBER

Anniversaries

Andy & Shahla Brow 11/08/????
 Bob & Linda Jones 11/17/1973 48
 John & Lois Olson 11/16/1991 30



All Hunters are invited to join us for Worship on Sunday, November 14 when we will have a special blessing as we look forward to the opening of deer season. Wear your hunting clothes if you'd like or just come as you are to receive a special

FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL

CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

In September we took in \$11,712.83 and our outgoing expenses were \$8614.38. The council appreciates all the time and energy donated to BLLC as well as the financial gifts. If anyone is looking for a way to help, we can always use more volunteers for the Deer Hunter Widow's Craft Sale which is just around the corner.



Gift of Warm Clothes distribution was held on Oct. 8th & 9th, we served 55 families/ 196 individuals. Thank you to everyone who helped with mending, washing, set-up, working the distribution, inventory, clean-up and for your outerwear and monetary donations. Since the distribution, we served an additional 5 families/17 individuals, we will continue to fill requests as we are able to with what we have left. Please consider donating gently used or new winter jackets, snowpants, boots, gloves or hats.

Blessings,
 The GOWC Team
 Mary, Tammy, Lois & Jess

Craft Sale

Attention bakers and crafty people, the craft sale will be held on Nov. 20th, 9am-2pm. Set-up will start on Nov. 7th after church, a sign-up sheet will be out for volunteers and 10 pies are needed for serving at the lunch. Crafts can be brought in anytime, please bring baked goods on Friday Nov. 19th.

Corn was processed on Aug. 14th for the 2022 Fair Booth. Thank you to all that helped, we had about 25 volunteers, what an amazing crew!



BONE LAKE LUTHERAN COUNCIL

Bone Lake Lutheran Church “Knowing Jesus—Making Jesus Known”

Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 4, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Present: Brenda Buck, Leora Dueholm, Pastor Mikayla, Tonya Eichelt, Jon Erickson, Ben Buck, Danielle Buck

Meeting Called to Order: Meeting called to order by Ben at 6:27

Devotions November: Faithful Innovation

Highs and Lows: Halloween pictures instead

Devotions in October: Leora

September Newsletter Article: October-Jon, November-Danielle, December- Brenda

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Brenda and seconded Leora, carried

Pastor’s Report:

Worship

- Communion will continue on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, Altar Guild to take over
- Continue to tweak things for indoor worship, following COVID guidelines as appropriate
- Worship committee met Sept 16, see worship report for more info Next meeting October 21, 7PM
- Conversation with possible new organist. **Motion** by Danielle, seconded by Jon to hire Sue Saarem. Motion carried.
- Beginning to plan Advent

Pastoral Care

- sending cards, publications, etc to home bound members
- calling those on the prayer chain
- Communion visits to homebound and nursing home residents

Education

- Tuesday Bible Study on hold for the summer, plans to return in the fall, currently working on writing a study on Daniel for us to use, more info on this to come out this week. Pass any interest onto Pastor Mikayla
- Beginning plans for Confirmation this fall, using Here We Stand curriculum. Affirmation of Baptism tentatively planned for Oct. 31 (one to be Confirmed this year)

Youth

- Have begun planning for Youth Gathering 2022
- High School Youth collaboration in the works with area churches, plan to meet monthly with area churches
- Youth Event planned for Oct. 27 at Joy Lutheran
- Attended tennis match and cross country meet

Other

- Attended Council Retreat Sept 18 – Re-visioning/Restarting the Mission of Bone Lake Lutheran with the help of the synod
- Attended WELCA meeting Sept. 20
- Attended Continuing Education event in Trego Sept. 26-28

Upcoming

- Feed My Starving Children planned with Joy Lutheran for Oct. 16
- Trunk or Treat planned for Oct. 30 12-2pm. Community event, everyone welcome.
- Attending conference rostered leader book study Oct. 12 and 26 and Nov. 16

Worship/Education Report:

- Fun day planned and held, attendance was low.

Property Report:

- Gloria weeded and planted mums out front. Thank you to Gloria, they look great!
- Candles on altar filled.

Old Business:

- Brenda suggested we recommend wearing masks while in the Church (?) Discussion was held on Covid numbers and what other area churches are doing. Tonya talked about cases in Polk County (50 per day)
- Suggest wearing masks and no hugging and shaking hands
- Roast Beef Dinner-Andy wants to take the lead. Covid should be considered when planning
- Could Roast Beef dinner be postponed pending Covid rates? Discussion with Andy, to see what his plans are. **Postponed until spring**
- Discussion on Pastor Randy’s presentation and what our roles will be.
- Chad would like to put wheels on the piano, for when there is no organist.
- Chad mentioned covering the stain glass windows, as the light is washing out the sanctuary.
- Keys for office, should only go to those with official business, or contact Mikayla.

New Business:

- Comprehensive Ministry Review discussion, worked through assignment and received future assignments.
- Trunk or Treat-October 30, 12:00-2:00. Brenda will work with Laurene to get post cards sent ahead of time. Will also post flyers around the community.
- Singing in church has come up. Discussed some safeguards to be abler to allow. Ben will make an announcement in church.

Treasurer’s Report:

- A copy of the treasurer’s report has been requested to Laurene. Brenda talked to Liz at the Synod and they suggested Council review policy. In general, financial information is available at the annual meeting. Monthly information is posted in the newsletter and can be made available by request to the Treasurer. -Treasurer’s report approved as submitted.